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Mass Schedule (See page 2 for details)

Mon-Fri: See Schedule on 2nd page
Sat: 4:30 pm - St. Francis of Assisi
Sun: 7:30 am - Our Lady of the Lake
8:45 am - St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am - St. Francis of Assisi
(Latin)
12:30 pm - St. Francis of Assisi
(Polish Mass)

Confessions (St. Francis)

Sat: 3:00 to 4:15 pm
Daily Confession 30 Minutes before
each Mass

Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

All days: 6 am to 8 pm

Holy Rosary

Every Mass: One half hour early

Readings for the week of November 26

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2,
2-3, 5-6 (1)/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt
25:31-46

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53,
54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59,
60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-
28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk
21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10,
11/Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78,
79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84,
85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/
Mk 13:33-37

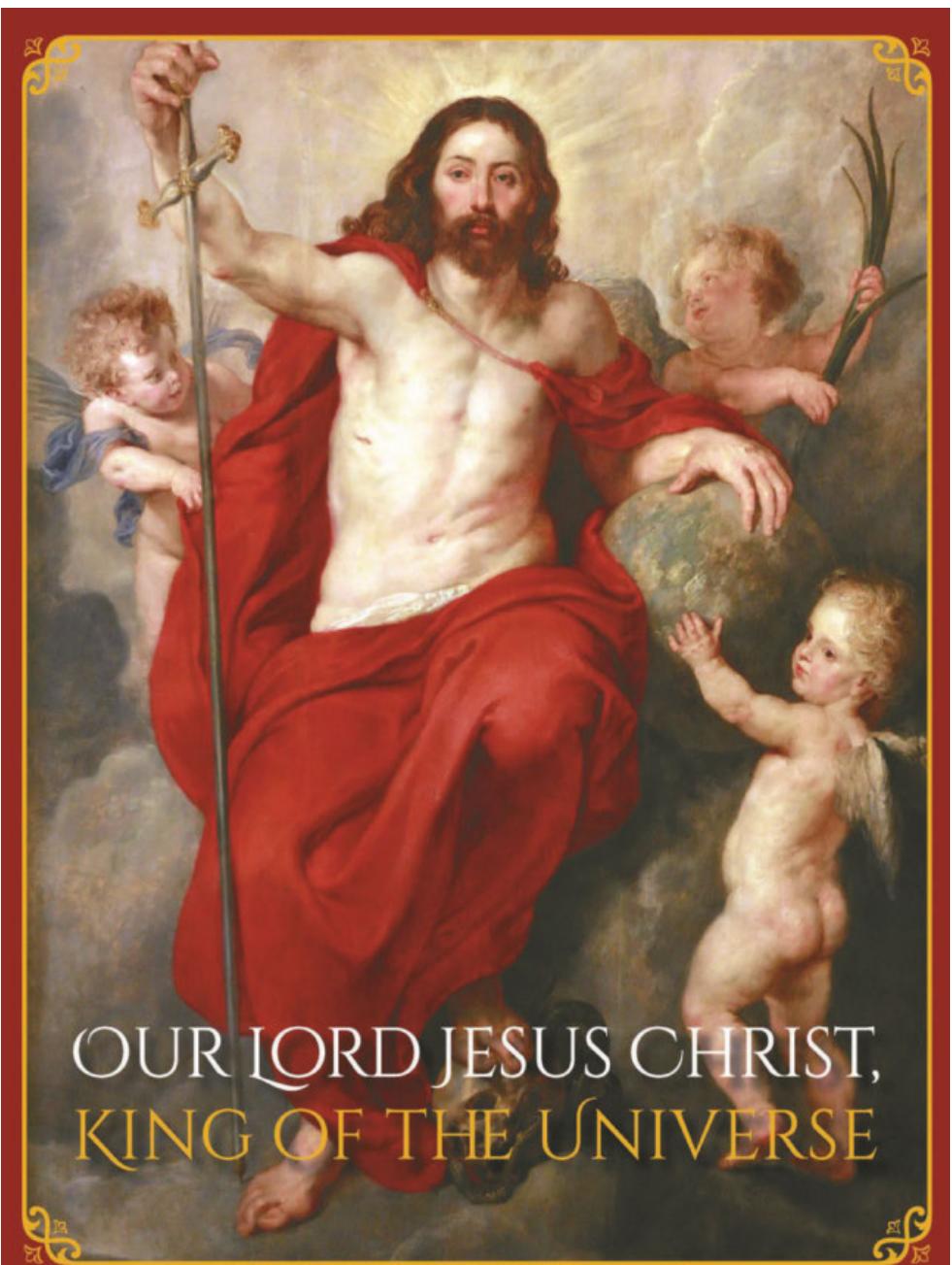
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OUR LADY OF THE LAKE PARISH

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Our Lady of the Lake

Mass Intentions

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

Sunday, November 26

7:30 am † Monica O'Brien

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 3

7:30 am † Earl Hamm

Ministry Schedule (December 3)

Lector - Shirley Larson

EMHC* - Mary Finger

*Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Please remember the following

members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Leroy Zulawski, Jackie Hamm, Dennis Nelson

Recently Deceased: Bill Pecoraro, Delores Zielinski, Christina Tafel, Lee Ormson

Military Personnel: Major Jared Glasenap, Gage Kobylski

OLL Diocesan Annual Appeal:

This year's annual appeal will begin in the month November, and you will soon be receiving information in the mail from the Diocesan office. The target for the 2023/2024 year for Our Lady of the Lake Parish is \$5600. Your generosity in supporting the many needs of our Diocese is greatly appreciated.

Group Bible Study - Every Tuesday morning at 9:30 am (except for the 1st Tuesday of the Month) come to study God's word. At this time we are studying Paul's letter to the Ephesians. If you are interested, please contact Charles at 608-542-1189. Meetings take place at Charles's house.

Eucharistic Revival: The Eucharist is Jesus! Let us grow in our understanding and love for this incredible Gift. Jesus is our greatest Friend. Jesus loves each one of us and desires to be with us always. Jesus gives Himself to us in the Holy Eucharist, so that He can live in our heart. The Holy Eucharist is Christ's Body and Blood. We know that Jesus is our greatest Friend because He gives Himself to us completely in the Holy Eucharist. The word Eucharist means thanksgiving. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, Thank You for giving Yourself to me and being my closest Friend. For a list of additional proclamations on the Eucharist, click here: diolc.org/eucharist/learn.

Thank You - A heartfelt thank you is extended to all parishioners that participated in this year's Hunter's Dinner. Special thanks to those of you that donated your time, talent and other contributions. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity.

Box of Joy - Thank you to everyone who participated in the Box of Joy!

Between Our Lady of the Lake and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes, 126 children will be blessed this Christmas with a Box of Joy filled by you! May God bless you for your generosity!

Breakfast with St. Nicholas -

Everyone is invited to an All You Can Eat breakfast in his honor. Sunday, December 3, 2023, from 8:30-11am. It's an all you can eat breakfast and an opportunity to meet St. Nicholas. The cost is \$10 for those 12 and older. No charge for those 11 years of age and younger. Sponsored by the Knight of Columbus all proceeds will be donated to those in need in our local community.

Saint Nicholas - It's time for Saint Nicholas to come again! Candy donations are appreciated! Please place donations in the wagon by the parish library door by December 1st.

St. Francis Diocesan Annual Appeal:

This year's annual appeal will begin in the month of November, and you will soon be receiving information in the mail from the Diocesan office. The target goal for the 2023/2024 year for Saint Francis of Assisi Parish is \$23,270. Your generosity in supporting the many needs of our Diocese is greatly appreciated.

Sacred Heart Enthronement - Do you want more peace in your family, blessings on your undertakings, and a more perfect faith life? Jesus is standing at the door and knocking. Open the door for Him! Join our nationwide campaign to invite the Sacred Heart of Jesus into your home, classroom, or business. Visit www.SacredHeartRevival.com for more information on the graces of the Sacred Heart and sign up today.

Prayer for Vocations - Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood, the Diaconate, and the Consecrated Life.

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St. Francis of Assisi

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 27

7:00 am † William & Andrew Grignon

Tuesday, November 28

7:00 am For Corey Shrider & family

Wednesday, November 29

7:00 am For the Zuniga family

Thursday, November 30

7:00 am † Fr. Abelardo Bailon

Friday, December 1

7:00 am † Jim Szepanski

Saturday, December 2 (First Saturday)

7:00 am Priest's intention

Sunday Masses for December 2 - 3

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 2

4:30 pm † Ronald Steen

Sunday, December 3

8:45 am For Therese McNally & children

11:00 am (Latin) † David Olsen

12:30 pm (Polish) For parishioners of St. Francis & Our Lady of the Lake

Server Schedule

Saturday, December 2

4:30 pm B. Texley

Sunday, December 3

8:45 am P. Heintz, T. Olsen & C. Parker

11:00 am Volunteer

Please remember the following

members of our parish in prayer:

The Sick: Roy Borden, Deb Rubel, Betty Glavin, Fr. Dan Zaleski, Pat Moore, Jeffrey Moss, Jim O'Loughlin, Marianne O'Loughlin, James Elliott Sr., Denny Mayer, Geri Mayer, Joanne Goggin, Mary Rubel, Jim Elliott, Kathy Elliott, Dolores Manning, Nancy Norton, Sally Coleman, Francesca Helfenberger, Michael Van Hoof, Keenan Norton, Danasha Norton, Katrina Norton, Linda Champion, Mary Brisko, Len Fike, Russ Glavin, George Perry, Sebastian Ostrorschi

Recently Deceased: Jean Hatch, Eileen O'Loughlin, Francis King, Jeff Elliott, Maria Ogrodnny, Robert Polgar, Patricia Mayer, Mitchell Wengrzynowicz Sr., Ethan Bottensek, Doug Dutscheck, Peter O'Loughlin, Antoinette Hollander, Frank Joseph Bryja, Marion Merkel, Leo LaVoy, Frank Bezemek, Marge Winker, Dave Olsen, Ken Ihasz, Louis Cernicka, Elmer Quinter

Military Personnel: Joshua Arbanas, Lauren Hodal, Leo Arbanas, Anthony Ledvina, Lawrence Ledvina, Augie Pintarro

Please remember St. Francis of Assisi Parish in your will or trust. Thank you!

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

November 26, 2023

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

In May 2023, for the first time in almost three quarters of a century, a monarch was crowned in England. A few days later a friend of mine scoffed, "What a waste of time and energy! What is the point of a king?"

I'm a proud American who wants neither theocracy nor monarchical restoration. I like our democratic republic. But the coronation of King Charles reminded me of something needed in every person and community: confidence in the future. The king's most basic role is to symbolize the unity of the nation. In England, the parliament members handle many of the practical

duties of governance. But the king or queen can do what they cannot: embody in a single person the reality and future of a whole nation. To say, "this is our king" is to say, "we exist as a community, and we have a future." Kingship isn't primarily about the power of one person or family. It's about the enduring identity and unity of the whole.

To say Christ is our King is to say we exist as a people. We are *one in him*. We are, and we will be as long as he is. And since he will be our risen king forever, together we have a future filled with hope. Even the best countries will finally fall. But Christ and his Church will endure forever. What good news! It's not a waste of time to crown a king. We do it all the time. Let's be sure to crown the right one — the one whose kingdom never ends.

— Father John Muir

The Annual Christmas Cookie Sale

is coming soon! We are taking Christmas cookie donations! **If you are willing and able, please drop off cookies on Friday, December 1st before 4 pm in the small area between the doors going into Corr Hall.** (the door is on the far right) Six to eight dozen is preferred (but we will take as many as you are able to do!) If you have any questions, contact Tracy Arbanas at 608-403-1434. Thanks so much!

Christmas Food Baskets - If you or someone you know are in need of a Christmas food basket this year, please submit the information form in the collection basket during Masses or give to Father by December 10th. Forms and envelopes are available in the church entrance. Baskets need to be picked up Tuesday, December 19th after Mass until 9:00 A.M. We will be collecting food for those in need. Please generously donate non-perishable food items and place them in the box by the bell tower marked "Christmas Food Baskets". Cash donations are also needed to purchase hams and fresh fruit for the baskets. Please place cash /checks made out to (St. Francis PCCW) in an envelope and marked "Christmas Food Baskets Donation" and place it in the collection basket during Masses by Sunday, December 10th. May God bless you for your generous donation. The food pantry is still in dire need of donations; however, this is a separate effort.

Healing Service - Are you in need of prayer for healing in spirit, mind, or body? We are ready to pray with you for God's gift of healing. **Monday, Dec. 4, at Sacred Heart Church - Cashton** there will be Confessions and Adoration starting at 4:30 pm; Mass at 5:30 pm; and a healing service beginning immediately after with Confessions and Adoration continuing. Catch the article on this important ministry in the latest issue of Catholic Life.

Into the Breach

- Due to scheduling conflicts, the December meeting has been **CANCELLED**. The next meeting will be the first Saturday of January. January 6, 2024 7:45 AM (after morning Mass) **INTO THE BREACH** challenges men to seek greatness and to be heroically virtuous, to have a character marked by goodness and truth, strength and courage. Take action to protect, defend, and restore our Catholic faith. Proverbs 27:17 "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Call or text Deacon Paul Arbanas 608-853-0766 or David Texley 608-853-0111 for more info.

Solemnity of Our Lady of Guadalupe

- **December 12, 2023** - Nearly 500 years ago, Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to Saint Juan Diego in Mexico. The Solemnity of Our Lady of Guadalupe is December 12th. **All are invited to celebrate at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in La Crosse, WI.** The day includes a Bilingual Mass offered by Cardinal Burke. Learn more at GuadalupeShrine.org/events.

Relevant Radio

- Remember to listen to Relevant Radio on 93.9. Go to the website at www.dioceseoflacrosse.com.



Elizabeth Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our mission is to create prayer shawls for those in our parish family, and community as a gift for healing, protection, strength, courage and celebration. And to bring hope, comfort, peace, love and prayers through the work of our hands in Christ. A prayer shawl begins with the shawl maker saying prayers for the recipient. The intentions are continued during the creation of the shawl. A final blessing is obtained from a Priest or a Deacon. When a person wraps oneself in a prayer shawl, the shawl serves as a reminder of the mercy, peace and compassion that can be found in God's loving embrace. This ministry is open to anyone who has the skills or desire to knit or crochet. Additional hands are always needed! Please join us! **Contact Lisa Becerra for more information at (608) 547-9403.** Each shawl is given freely as a gift to anyone in need. Donations of yarn and needles may be placed in the foyer area in a basket specific for this purpose.

St. Patrick's Parish in Mauston will be holding a Holy Hour of Mercy dedicated to the Holy Face of Jesus from 3-4 pm every Tuesday. These prayers are dedicated to personal intentions and our nation. Prayers consist of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Face of Jesus devotions, Rosary, & meditations. All are welcome to join.

Post-Abortion Healing Ministry in the Diocese of La Crosse. Do you know someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions? Project Rachel Ministry offers a compassionate heart and confidential help. Call 608-860-6698 or email projectrachel@diolc.org.

Rorate Caeli Mass - The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse, invites all to celebrate the candlelit, Rorate Caeli Mass this December 9, 2023. The Mass will be begin at 6:30am. Learn more at GuadalupeShrine.org/events.

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